

XLV. *Descriptions of two new Genera of Carabideous Insects.* By J. O. WESTWOOD, F.L.S.

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PLATYNODES, *Westw.* (Pl. XXI. fig. A. and details.)

Genus novum *Morioni* proximum, e quo differt præcipue formâ latâ depressâ, thorace cordato-truncato, &c.

Caput magnum, subquadratum, planum; angulis posticis pone oculos rotundatis et semiglobosis, e vertice linea valde impressa utrinque separatis, lineisque duabus impressis verticalibus, (fig. *Aa*). *Labrum* porrectum, subquadratum; angulis anticis rotundatis margineque antico valde emarginato et ciliato. *Mandibulæ* magnæ, porrectæ, apice acutæ, intus obtuse et late dentatæ. *Maxillæ* valde curvatæ, lobo interno in spinam acutissimam terminato. *Palpi* externi breves, articulo 2do longiori, apicalibus fere filiformibus, (fig. *Ab*). *Mentum* latum, lobis duobus magnis rotundatis planis, medio valde emarginato, dente bifido in medio emarginaturæ, (fig. *Ac**). *Labium* parvum, corneum, angustum, apice rotundatum, supra carinatum, (fig. *Ac†*). *Palpi labiales* parvi, (fig. *Ac‡*). *Antennæ* satis breves, articulis apicalibus compressis velutinis, spatio tenui longitudinali nitido in singulo tantum relicto, (fig. *Ad*). *Prothorax* magnus, planus, capite latior, valde cordato-truncatus, marginatus; angulis anticis rectis, posticis acutis, linea tenui longitudinali media, et excavatione oblonga versus angulos posticos impressa. *Elytra* prothorace latiora deplanata, anguste marginata, pone medium paullo dilatata, lineis tenuissimis et simplicibus striata. *Pedes* robusti. *Tibiæ* anticæ apice latæ, intus valde emarginatæ. *Tarsi* antichi haud dilatati, articulo singulo subtus lineis duabus postice convergentibus setarum rigidarum instructo; tibiæ intermediæ extus spinulis minutis armatæ, posticæ duæ inermes. *Corpus* subtus planum, prosterno postice porrecto, dilatato et transverse truncato. *Abdomen* segmentis 4, singulo ad marginem posticum punctis duobus impressis.

This fine genus has somewhat the appearance of a flat *Scarites*, but its nearest affinity is the genus *Morio*.

Species unica. *Platynodes Westermanni*, Westw.

(Plate XXI. fig. A. magn. naturali.)

Niger, subnitidus, capite magis nitido, antennarum articulis



